

Abstract of the Disclosure

An ACC system includes a controllable  
5 amplifier having an input coupled to receive a chroma  
input signal and an output for providing an chroma  
output signal of controllable amplitude. A first  
feedback path, including a cascade connection of means  
for providing a signal representative of a measured  
10 burst amplitude, means for providing an error signal  
representative of the difference between a desired burst  
amplitude and the measured burst amplitude, and an  
integrator, is coupled between the output of the  
controllable amplifier and a gain control input of the  
15 controllable amplifier. A second feedback path, coupled  
from an output of the integrator to an input thereof,  
reduces the gain of the amplifier means in a controlled  
manner for values of a burst component of the chroma  
input signal below a predetermined threshold value  
20 provided by a control signal source, the reduction being  
at a predetermined rate controlled by a scaling signal  
device, thereby providing an output system response  
characteristic having a precisely controllable knee and  
slope below a predetermined amplitude of a burst  
25 component of the chroma input signal.